

DSA - JS

## 4) Big O : intro



→ big O is a way to mathematically figure out which of these two is better, which one runs more efficiently

→ The code to run as quickly as possible be as efficient as possible  
So by this measure, code one is the better code (less time)

This is called time complexity

→ we measure it in the no. of operations

⇒ Space complexity: Space complexity is the amount of memory that something uses

Code 1 → 15 min → → more memory

Code 2 → 30 min → → less memory

## 5) Big O: worst case

$\Omega$  → Omega

$\Theta$  → Theta

$O$  → omicron (big O)

| $\Omega$                           | $\Theta$              | $O$                 |   |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---|
| 1                                  | 2                     | 3                   | 4   |
| 5                                  | 6                     | 7                   |   |
| $\downarrow$                       | $\downarrow$          | $\downarrow$        |   |
| best case to<br>iterate over array | avg case with<br>memo | worst case<br>big O | need to iterate<br>through array<br>to find particular<br>no. |

→ If we measuring big O that means always a worst case.



6) Big O :  $O(n)$  : first big O notation

function logItems(n) {

for (let i = 0 ; i < n ; i++) {

console.log(i)

}

}

$O(n)$

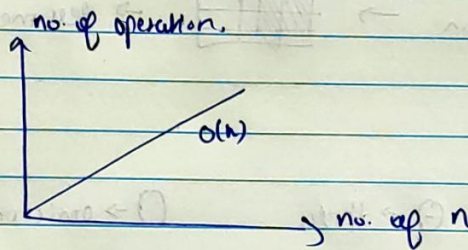
logItems(10)

$O(10) \rightarrow$  It will run 10 times.

$\rightarrow$  we pass the function the no.  $n$  and this runs  $n$  times.

$\rightarrow O(n)$  is always a straight line.

$\rightarrow$  The no. of operation is going to be proportional to whatever  $n$  is



7) Big O : Drop constants.

$\rightarrow$  Big O has several ways in which we simplify the notation.

Drop constants



```
function logItems(n) {
  console.log(i)
  for (let i = 0; i < n; i++) {
    console.log(i)
  }
}
```

$O(n)$

```
for (let j = 0; j < n; j++) {
  console.log(j)
}
```

$O(n)$

logItem(3)

$$O(n) + O(n) \Rightarrow O(2n)$$

drop constant

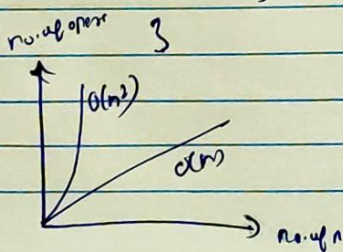
→ no matter  $O(n)$ ,  $O(2n)$ ,  $O(3n)$ , ...,  $O(100n) = O(n)$   
we drop the constant and we say code is  $O(n)$  only

\*) so our first rule for simplifying our big O notation drop constant.

Q) Big O :  $O(n^2)$

```
function logItems(n)
  for (let i = 0; i < n; i++) {
    for (let j = 0; j < n; j++) {
      console.log(i, j)
    }
  }
```

$n$   
 $n$   
 $n$   
 $n^2$



$O(n^2)$